

said that you stopped him & enquired about the different roads, distances &c. &c. This was when you had reached the field & before your Corps had come up. I got ^{from him} very much information about localities, names of residents, & points occupied by hospitals &c.

I had forgotten which place you named, when you read notice of Reynolds' death. My recollection was that it was in the tower of a public building in the town, but the Prof. suggested that it probably was the Seminary tower. Will you write me which as I wish to visit in September the one you were in.

You may be sure that I missed no occasion to emphasize the fact of your selection & occupancy with a Division, of Cemetery Hill, which fact saved the first day, & settled the location of the line of battle on which

Marietta Pa.

July 13, 1888

Major Geo. O. Howard

My dear General

I regretted very much that I did not see you before I left. I called at your office twice but you were out. I expressed my regrets when Mr. Kenna. It seemed like leaving home without bidding the folks good-bye. Thus far I have had a very pleasant outing - I was intensely interested the three days at Gettysburg. I met many of my old friends. Genl Barlow wished especially to be remembered by you & sent his love. I went over the main lines & recognised distinctly every spot where

my Regiment was engaged in the field. I went out over the lines where Reynolds forces fought or where he fell, & found the lines where your forces were the first day & during the battle. The lines are being dotted with monuments dedicated to the different Regiments & Batteries on the spot where they fought - the fiercest. Thirty-four monuments were dedicated during this reunion. One to my own Regiment (126th NY) will be dedicated in Sept. when I hope to be present.

A few of Ricketts men were present, but only a few. I think twenty to twenty-five would cover the number. Genl Gordon made an excellent speech, but Genl Longstreet floundered me the best. His first sentence showed his spirit. He said that for

over twenty years he had worn the blue again, instead of the gray, & felt that he was one of us. He had no gray or badges with rebel flag on. The rest were dressed in gray, with badges that had the stars & bars on. (Symbol of rebellion & treason.) They talked all right & represented the best elements of ^{the} Confederate soldier, but I know like gray or the rebel flag. He treated them splendidly & sent them home with gladness in their hearts, & perhaps they will be willing to think more of "the old flag" & better of "the boys in blue."

I stopped with Prof A. Shelly, Sup of Schools for the County. He was living near Gettysburg and remembered seeing you the morning of the 1st of July. He

Shore, & now there is no sense
or justice in one trying to ~~make~~
olive it all, or take a part that
justly belongs to another -
Reynolds & Howard the first day,
Dickles & Warren, & the Fifth Corps
the 2nd day, with the adds & ends of the
other Corps thrown in - That too, an left-
& closing are the right, the same forces
in the early morning are the 3^d, & Ham-
ricks forces to close in the great
repulse of Rickett are the center
when history finally divides the
honors, justly, & gives to each
his portion in due season, all
will ^{have} their share & enough.

I was rejoiced & yet humbled
when I stood on this battle field
where rebellion reached its
highest watermark, & was smitten
to its death, & saw clearly how
God's will was seen in
the disposition of the forces for
the battle, & in its issue -
The die of the rebellion was cast -

the battle of Gettysburg was
fought - In any case standing
are that historic Ridge, the wisdom
of fighting the first-days battle
where, & as it was fought; &
the occupancy of those heights, as
the rallying point - where our
retreating forces could make
a successful stand & close
the day, is as clear as the sun.
There is clearly seen, plain
for all to see, definitely conceived
& successfully carried out;
what was in Genl Reynolds' mind
is only shown by the disposi-
tion of his forces, & his attack
It was evidently a fight for time
& position, what was in Genl
Howard's mind is evident
enough by what he did, the
occupancy of Seminary Ridge
with the other points adjacent;
& holding it when the first attack

came with the close of day,
settled the ~~selection~~ of the battle
line, & to that battle line, is
due much of the credit, which
gave us the victory. When
important history is written
I don't believe that you will
be required to divide the
honor that so justly belongs
to you. As much as I was
devoted to Hancock, as my
Corps Commander, & my ideal
soldier, & taking into account
the most liberal construction
of his order when he came
on to the field, ^{to believe that} to you belongs
the honor of not ^{only} selecting but
occupying the line upon
which the battle was fought;
Even if he was instructed to
succeed you in command,
he simply confirmed what
you had already done —
Yours was the selecting, & his

& Genl. Meade was the confirmation
of your judgment & decision.
It did my heart good, to go on
to the field, & study it and its strat-
egical points, & there find in-
scribed in granite the names
of the Regts & Brigades of the 11th
Corps, on this very spot selected
by you on Cemetery Hill & Ridge,
on that first day.

That was the world's greatest
battle, no other save Waterloo
compares with it, & in many
respects the battles are alike.
So far as any battle field
can be a scene of glory, this
furnishes preeminent glory.
Patriotic devotion to duty, valor,
daring, heroism, was displayed
every where, no forces flinched
none failed, there was glory
every where & enough for
all, Every General & every Corps
had a chance to win his

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Chaplain Winfield Scott

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 here, & from this day the
 waves of rebellion began to
 recede & grew weaker & weaker
 until the end came & the nation
 was redeemed. Why should
 it not be expected that the divine
 will should be wrought largely
 in the judgement & decision of
 the Christian soldier, who daily
 committed his ways to God
 & earnestly sought divine
 direction. It was not only
 fitting, but this was his way
 & his will.

I am now stopping at the grand
 old town of Morietta. It is as Dutch
 as Dutch. Houses are the street,
 the old town jump, with a
 great iron handle, curved
 & shaped like a lions tail & on
 nearly every corner, brick side
 walks, toll roads running
 out from it, where more
 is charged a passenger per mile

to ride over it - in his own buggy
than it ~~does~~ ^{to} ride in a palace car
on the Pa. Central R.R. Thought it
funny the Susquehanna Canal
still used, & on which Genl Harri-
son rode when he went from
his home to Washington. It is full
of funny things, & is intensely in-
teresting to me. I preached two
sermons to the Pres. last Sunday
& preached next Sunday again -
I am the only Baptist in the Bureau
it is too Dutch for Baptists or Congrega-
tionalists, the people are quiet, homely,
honest, sleepy, & to their credit, these
quarters of them will vote for Har-
rison. In this respect Pa. so far
as I have seen it, is overwhelm-
ingly for Fairs & Harrison.

Democrats don't fear, or if they
do it is so faint, & weak, that
they appeal to your sympathies
so strongly, that you instinctively
want to comfort them in their
distress - It seems wicked to

to answer back - I shall go up
to New York, (Geneva) next week
& I presume I will find the
freeing stronger up there -
Now I know I have written
you longer than you will find
time or care to read, but ^{how} could
an old soldier go to Gettysburg
without fidgeting -

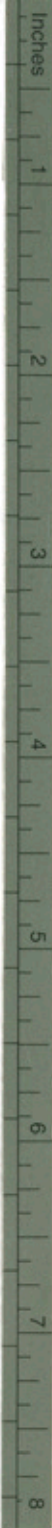
I hope that you are all
well, & that a churchman as
high as Trinity Stuyple has been
found for the Presid^{ent} -

Give my kindest & best wishes
to all in the dear home - to the
dear children, ^{of our S. S.} whom I loved
so dearly. If you can find
time to write me a line
I shall be glad to hear from
you. Address me at Geneva
N.Y.

Sincerely Yours
Winfield Scott

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San Francisco, June 13th 1888
Gen O. O. Howard,
Fort Maine.

Dear Sir:- The W. R. C. Home Association
sends greeting, and thanks you for your
generosity in loaning the cannon used
in the Pinafore Carnival, and for the
transportation of the same.

The cannon formed a feature of the
stage settings, and the Association must
needs have found just such a generous
hearted man as Gen. O. O. Howard to
come forward and donate them for this pur-
pose.

The members of the Association individually
recognize their obligation to you, nor do they
consider that this simple expression of thanks
cancels the debt.

Sincerely Yours
Sarah J. Farwell. Secretary.

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Camp Graham.

Lakeport, Cal.

July 13 1888.

Dear General:

We reached this place today 12. m. after a march of little over 14 miles from Blue Lakes where we spent Thursday part of Wednesday. Blue Lakes is 19 miles from W. Kiab over a good but ratherilly road. Capt Andrews will stay here till Monday next, when he leaves at 2. m for Cloverdale, which place he will reach at about 12 m. Wednesday.

I will be home Thursday at the earliest. Things here are all right, as far as I can see.

Sincerely Yours
E. H. J. Greble

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OFFICE
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NEW YORK.

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Am. by Gen

San Buena Ventura Cal.,

July 13, 1888

Dear Gen.

Not intruding within the
limits of propriety may I
ask you for a copy of your
report on the battle of Gettysburg
together with such other facts
as you may feel at liberty to
use. I remember when at
head-quarters in Wash. I
asked to write letters for you on
the subject in point, and having
the 1st, 2^d & 3^d, of the present
I have visited the battle field
the first time, and as a
student of the subject having
been impressed with the
fact that the success of that
battle is due more to the 11th

1st Corps' and the
rk they did on the 1st
y. (as it appears to me)
holding the position
until the arrival of the
our commands com-
bining of the Army of Potomac
more anxious to put the
in print, and for that
purpose ask the indulgence
kind. While I am ex-
posed have been

Withfully yours
Wm Fowler

O. O. Howard

Wm. Army

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Ed. D. Fowler

San Buena Ventura, Cal., July 13 1888

Gen. L. Howard

U. S. Army

San Francisco Calif

Dear General

Since writing to you yesterday we have
thought that it would be to our advantage if
you could lecture for us on Saturday Even-

ing July 28th. Will you therefore let me know
by telegraph at our expense if you can come

If not can you come on Satur-
day August 25th? We however prefer July 28th

We hope you will be able to oblige us with
a date.

Awaiting your reply which
I hope will be favorable I remain

Yours truly

Moore Hesket.

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San Bruno, Ventura, Cal. July 12

Dear Mr. Thompson
I have just received your letter of the 10th inst. and am
glad to hear from you. I am well and hope this letter
will find you the same. I am sorry I cannot write
you more fully at present but I am so busy that I
cannot find time. I will write you again soon.
I am, dear Mr. Thompson, very respectfully,
Yours truly,
J. M. Thompson



rich St. July 13th 1888.

O. O. Howard

Francisco

Cal.

Dear Sir & Comrade:—

Under my temporary
government. Fearing
you may not have
my last letter I will
send this. I rec'd your
5th Bull, - notifying
of my mistake. I
replied in my last letter
it came. We are
about to frame a Circular
and send it through the N.S.
drawing the attention of the
members of the first battle
Bull Run to the proposed
revision & Revision to
Victory field. I feel
certain

great good would come
from such a Reunion.
Can't we use your name
as President of the Northern
^{or otherwise} delegation? Will you be
present? D., July 31st/89.
I believe the 21st will come on
Sunday next year the same

day we fought the battle 28 years
^{we will be in Washington on Sabbath}
from that time. How times

goe, nothing but a Boy of 17 -
year then. At Lee's Surrender
I was the only man present
that represented my old Original
Co. Am Praying God now
for his protection. I met

Your Bro on the A.P. Railroad
1871. I invited him to Preach to
the roughs there. He told them about
his Experience in the army talking
to the Boys that belonged to his Bn;
command & when you were
little how Mother used to
go up stairs to tuck you up
in Bed, & Pray for you. The
little incidents told upon them.
One of them came to me afterwards

I promised (B) to lead a new
life. Well I must stick to my
text - I rec'd letter from
Gen Sherman commending
the enterprise his age
& health will prevent him
of acting a President.
The Gov of Virginia writes
that he would be pleased
to see the survivors of the
first Bull Run upon that
historic ground. Longfellow
is with us. Beauregard will
be there (I V). Any information
from you or suggestion
would be thankfully used
As I said in my last I believe
This is only a log to keep
from. Excuse my long
letter

Fraternally Yours
J. H. Forster

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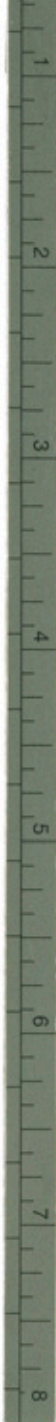
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San Quentin July 13th 88
O. O. Howard,

My kind friend -
as you requested about
writing a letter to you ask-
ing you to intercede with
your warden in my
case. I sent it to Gen Mc
Nutt to get his commendation
I requested him to forward
you immediately. I write
this to ask if you recd
it, or not please let me
now and oblige. With kind
gards, remain

Your unfortunate friend
John McWarner
Write to Rev. W. H. Hill.

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TREASURER'S OFFICE,
ROCKY MOUNTAIN BELL TELEPHONE CO.,
SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH.

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July 14th 1888.

Genl O. O. Howard,

San Francisco Cal.,

I enclose herewith our Check No. 4164 for \$5.00
being Dividend No. 19 due you on stock of this Company standing in
your name.

Please sign and return enclosed receipt.

Respectfully,

Geo. M. Hall
Treasurer.

Rocky Mt. Advertiser

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Genl O. O. Howard,

San Francisco Cal.,

July 1st 1888.



Oakland, July 14th '88.
488 Edwards St-

General O. O. Howard,

Sir, Having learned that
Thomas Gahoy (formerly an
in the U. S. army) had
sent his mail sent to your
address, I take the liberty of
enclosing the accompanying bill,
hoping thereby to secure his imme-
diate attention to the same.

My husband has been very ill
for twenty-seven months, & I am
also seriously sick, consequently,
we are financially needy.

Will you please pardon the liberty of
thus presuming to request your influ-
ence in so unpleasant an affair - As we
had the pleasure of meeting you in your
bible class in Portland Me for a short

Mrs G. H. Potter.

time as pupils; I do not
that I address a stranger
a christian brother -

Respectfully,
Mrs George H. Potter

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Rincard Hill
July 14th 88

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You have
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ers are invited
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have been overboard
I want you to

Am. Hist. Coll.

Pine Hill
July 14th 38

Dear Sir,
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. and in reply to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Yours,
J. H. [Signature]

the Countess of ...
 to represent the ...
 the Countess ...
 at 7 1/2 - 9 ...
 July 19th - ...
 (Mrs) - steps ...
 Washington ...
 and ...
 6th of ...
 should you ...
 the ...
 will be ...
 leaving the ...

Mr. Scott
I. M. Scott

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the launching platform
to represent the Army
this launch takes place
at 7½ - P. M. Thursday
July 19th - (Sharp time
7:45) - Lugs leave fort
Washington at 6
and cars run on
5th at and Potrero
Should you come in
McDowell. a good landing
will be ready - Respy
Erving M. Scott

D. M. Scott

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know - that I may
prepare for them, as
I wish to impress the
occasion on the young
as being national, and
coming so soon after the
Key Monument. May
show good seed -

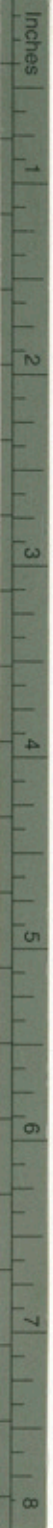
Resptly driving Mr.

Rivers Hill
July 14th 88

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Dear General

Will it be out
of place to ask you
to have your band
present at the launch
and play American
Patriotic Pieces during
the ceremonies. as she
glides off. we can have
some one sing America
if this meets your appro-
val. please let me



Dear Mr. May
I wish to inform you
that I have received
your letter of the 10th
and am glad to hear
of your success in
the cause of the
free press.

Yours truly
Wm. Lloyd Garrison
July 14th 1848